

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	§	Art Group: 3672
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Hall, David R., et al.	§	Examiner: Coy, Nicole A
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Serial No.: 10/711,596	§	
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Filed: September 28, 2004	§	Docket No.: 66.0077
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For: Filter for a Drill String	§	

April 11, 2007

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed February 2, 2007 for which the shortened – statutory period for response is set to expire on May 2, 2007. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: